

December 16	Temperature				Precipitation		
	mean max	mean min	record max highest / lowest (year)	record min highest / lowest (year)	mean	record highest (year)	chance
San Diego	66	48	84 (1980) / 55 (1948)	62 (1957) / 38 (1892)	0.04	1.36 (1987)	19%
Santa Ana	70	46	89 (1980) / 53 (1946)	59 (1957) / 29 (1948)	0.05	1.63 (1938)	15%
Riverside	67	41	85 (1939) / 39 (1975)	58 (1998) / 28 (1948)	0.03	1.01 (2002)	17%
Escondido	69	41	88 (1980) / 54 (1924)	58 (1997) / 30 (1928)	0.05	1.95 (1938)	21%
Big Bear Lake	47	21	60 (1981) / 25 (1967)	38 (1998) / 7 (1993)	0.09	1.38 (1978)	17%
Idyllwild	54	27	74 (1980) / 31 (1965)	47 (1998) / 15 (1948)	0.10	0.76 (1984)	18%
Palomar Mountain	52	35	68 (1969) / 30 (1965)	54 (1939) / 12 (1972)	0.11	2.16 (1938)	17%
Victorville	60	30	74 (1981) / 34 (1967)	45 (2002) / 15 (1971)	0.03	0.62 (1984)	10%
Palm Springs	69	43	90 (1980) / 49 (1967)	60 (1980) / 30 (1964)	0.02	1.23 (1938)	10%
Borrego Springs	69	43	82 (1998) / 44 (1967)	54 (1980) / 30 (1987)	0.02	0.47 (1965)	12%

Periods of record: San Diego temperature: 1872, precipitation: 1850. Santa Ana temperature: 1916, precipitation: 1906. Riverside: 1924. Escondido: 1900. Big Bear Lake: 1960. Idyllwild: 1943. Palomar Mountain: 1938. Victorville: 1917. Palm Springs temperature: 1917, precipitation: 1906. Borrego Springs temperature: 1965, precipitation: 1942.

On this day in...

1988: A strong Pacific storm brought two inches of rain in six hours during the early morning at Mt. Wilson and a storm total of more than 3.5 inches.

1987: Snow fell for two minutes at Malibu Beach. A foot of snow fell in the mountains north and east of LA. Disneyland was closed due to the weather for only the second time in 24 years. Other theme parks were closed. I-5 and I-15 were closed on stretches through the mountains stranding motorists in the Southland. Numerous accidents killed a few people. Heavy rain hit San Diego County on this day and on 12.17. 2.01 inches fell in Oceanside, two inches in El Cajon and La Mesa, 1.97 inches in National City, 1.85 inches in Poway, and 1.73 inches in Montgomery Field. Minor flooding occurred in Mission Valley. 24 inches of snow fell in Julian on 12.16 and on this day and nine inches of snow fell at Mt. Laguna. All schools were cancelled in the mountains of San Diego County.

1975: The high temperature was 39° in Riverside, the lowest maximum temperature on record.

1967: A period of snow began on 12.13 and ended on 12.19. The entire period of snow brought 50 inches to Mt. Laguna, 38 inches in Idyllwild, two feet to Palomar Mountain, and 12 to 18 inches to the higher elevations. One freezing death resulted, numerous schools and highways were closed, transportation was disrupted and there were power outages.